

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please add new claim 33:

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33. (New) A pharmaceutical composition which comprises:

b<sup>1</sup> (i) an effective amount of a nitrogen-containing heterocyclic compound having two or more heteroatoms,

wherein said compound has a substituent -C(W) -C(Y)- which is attached to a nitrogen atom of the heterocyclic ring, wherein W and Y are independently selected from the group consisting of O, S, CH<sub>2</sub>, and H<sub>2</sub>, and

wherein said compound is additionally substituted with an ester or amide substituent attached to any atom of the heterocyclic ring other than said nitrogen atom,

provided that said ester or amide substituent is not an N-oxide of an ester or amide and further provided that said amide substituent is linked to the heterocyclic ring with a carbon-carbon bond; and

(ii) a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

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